

**BRUNSWICK COUNTY SUBSTANCE USE
AND ADDICTION COMMISSION
MONTHLY MEETING
August 1, 2019 6:10 p.m.**

ATTENDANCE:

1. The following members were present:
Cpt. Stephen Lanier
Ms. Kathleen Gomes
Ms. Catherine Cooke
Mr. Joshua Torbich
2. Members absent:
Mr. Eric Gushue
Mr. (Rev) William Eberle
Mr. Wesley Hickman
Ms. Strickland
3. Health Services staff present
Allison Campbell, Health Services Health Educator
(absent) Cris Harrelson, Brunswick County Health Services Director

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Brunswick County Substance Use and Addiction Commission was called to order by Cpt. Lanier at 6:05 PM. in the Health Services Board Room (Building A).

PUBLIC COMMENT: no public comment

REGULARLY OCCURRING ITEMS

- A. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes for JUNE accepted and approved (Gomes/Torbish) as submitted. There was no meeting in July.
- B. **Agenda Adjustments:** none
- C. **Review of Monthly Data:**
 1. **State Opioid Reports** –No Report

- 2. Brunswick County Sheriff's Office Reports** – Cpt. Lanier reported that there were 71 felony arrests in May with 12 doses of Heroin confiscated, 46 grams of cocaine, and 55 grams of methamphetamine. There were 2 Overdoses, one resulted in death. There were 43 arrests in June with 675 grams of Heroin 8 grams of cocaine confiscated, and one overdose resulting in death. No stats for July yet, but overall spike in Overdoses in New Hanover County in June, and increasing presence of methamphetamine in the county.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Detox Sub-Group (Joshua Torbich, lead))

Mr. Torbich and Ms. Gomes attended a meeting with RHA representatives (Brandon Golder, Brian Mengia, Pam Stalls, Charles Hill), to discuss possibilities for a detox facility in Brunswick County. Overall, RHA officials were positive, and enthusiastic about this project. They are seeking approval of County Commission and suggestions of a viable county owned building which could suit the need. They were interested in a 30 bed Facility Based Crisis unit, and discussed options for ongoing funding of this operation. They were pleased that many of the parties who need to be on board are represented on the BCSUAC. A meeting will be held to discuss this project with Commissioner Forte, Anne Hardy, and Commissioner Williams.

B. Outreach Sub- Group (Bill Eberle, lead). Mr. Eberle was absent, but he had informed Ms. Gomes and Cpt. Lanier about suggestions he made to the commission after attending the Prevention Summit in June. One suggestion which was discussed was the showing of the PBS documentary on NOVA. This was tabled until the next meeting

- a. **Outreach Related Activities:** Cpt. Lanier shared that he had spoken to the company who developed the Sheriff's Dept. app and the cost would be between 10 and 20 thousand. Cpt Lanier will be sending in suggestions for "buttons" and types of information we want to include to the company, and is seeking board member input as to the information recommended

C. Public Awareness in the County (Hickman, lead) It was noted that two articles written by Commission members had been published in the Brunswick Beacon in the last two weeks. The first was written by Mr. Hickman, the second was written by Mr. Torbich. There are several more articles "in the bank" but more are needed to continue the Public Awareness Campaign. Ms. Campbell presented the posters with the tabs to be placed around the county. The committee was impressed with how well the posters came out, and wanted to move forward with this activity.

D. Opioid Misuse and Overdose Prevention Summit: Mr. Eberle, Mr. Hickman, and Mr. Harrelson attended, and will report next month since none of them could attend this meeting. <https://files.constantcontact.com/023aa8ab001/9a04541d-099b-4ac0-9176-f70e101fc781.pdf>

Motion to move to new Business (Torbish/Cooke)

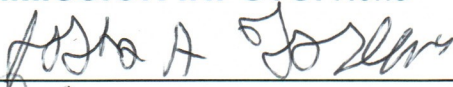
NEW BUSINESS

- A. September Meeting:** There will be a change of time for the next meeting, to hours within the work day. This will be coordinated with Mr. Harrelson and commission members through email over the next month.
- B.** Discussion was held about board changes. Ms. Bass has resigned, and has not yet been replaced, and MS. Cooke was appointed for a second term. Ms. Willis was replaced by Ms. Heather Strickland
The following list includes terms:
Kathleen Gomes District 1 Term Expires: 6/30/2020
Joshua Torbich District 2 Term Expires: 6/30/2020
William Eberle District 3 Term Expires: 6/30/2021
Heather Strickland District 4 Term Expires: 6/30/2021
William Hickman District 5 Term Expires: 6/30/2022
Open At large: 6/30/2023
Stephen Lanier Sheriff's Office Term Expires: 6/30/2022
Eric Gushue Chief Superior Court Judge Term Expires: 6/30/2021
Catherine Cooke Board of Education Term Expires: 6/30/2023
Ms. Cooke and Ms. Bass were uncertain that they would continue.

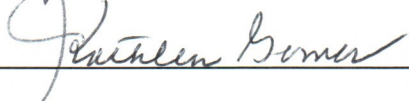
ADJOURNMENT: Move to adjourn (Lanier/Cooke). There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM. There was no quorum, therefore no official business was conducted.

The next Brunswick County Substance Use and Addiction Commission meeting will be held on **September 5, 2019 at a time to be determined.**

COMMISSION INPUTS: None



Chairperson



Secretary

Brunswick County
Substance Use and Addiction Commission
Attendance Roster 2019-2020

NAME	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Cooke	*	X										
Eberle	*											
Gomes	*	X										
Gushue	*											
Hickman	*											
Lanier	*	X										
Torbish	*	X										
Strickland	*											

O = Off Board

X = In Attendance

Blank Space = Absent

X-sub= sent representative

^ = Specially Called Meeting

* = No Meeting

Quorum = 5 members present

Attendance Roster 2018-2019

NAME	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Bass	X	*	X	X	X		x	x
Cooke	X	*	X			X	x	x
Eberle	X	*	X	X	X	X	x	x
Gomes	X	*	X	X	X	X	x	x
Gushue	X	*		X		X		x
Hickman	X	*	X	X	X	X		x
Lanier	X	*	X	X	X		x	
Torbish	X	*	X	X-sub	X	X	x	x
Willis	X	*	X-sub	X	X-sub	X-sub	O	O